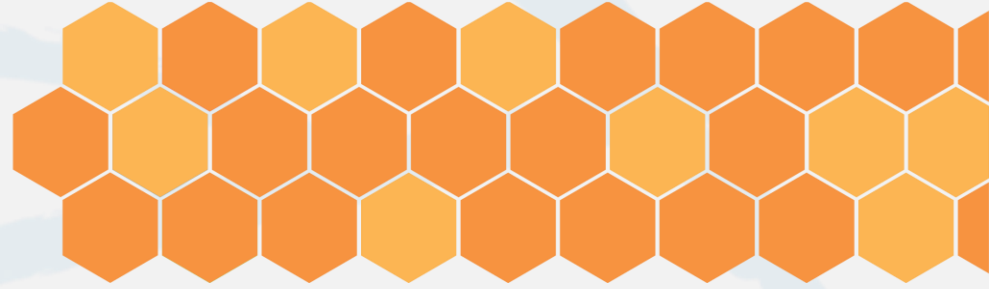




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# Progress on Goal 1: universal registration of births and deaths

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# Goal 1 on universal registration of births, deaths and other vital events

## Goal 1 targets

- ✧ 1A: birth registration within a year
- ✧ 1B: birth registration under 5 years old
- ✧ 1C: birth registration of all individuals
- ✧ 1D: death registration of all individuals
- ✧ 1E: death registration with CoD certification

## Related Implementation steps

- ✧ (a) comprehensive assessment of
- ✧ (e) inequalities assessment

# Progress in the Asia-Pacific

## Achievements

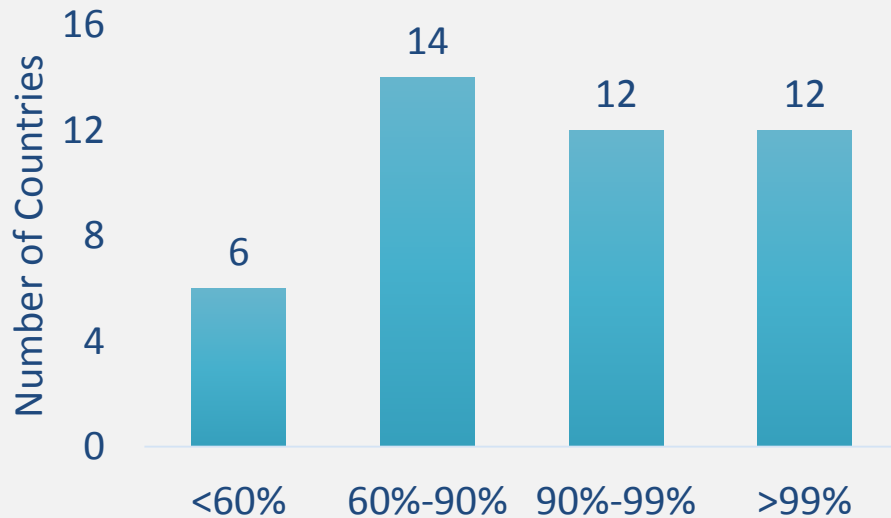
- ✧ Notable improvements in registration especially in South Asia and the Pacific
- ✧ Strong country initiatives and partnership support
- ✧ Political support

## Challenges

- ✧ Completeness and inequality assessments
- ✧ Cause of Death – certification and coding
- ✧ Coordination and user engagement

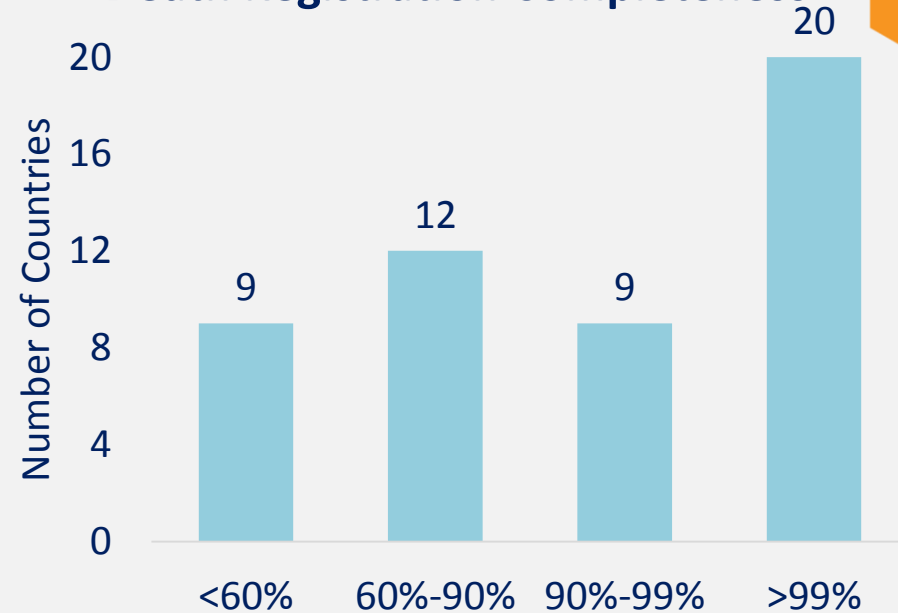
# Regional Snapshot: registration completeness

## Birth Registration Completeness of Children under 5



■ RAF Baseline Reports + MICS/DHS + PCRN data

## Death Registration Completeness



■ RAF Baseline Reports + GHO and PCRN data

CoD certification (Target 1E): 30 countries reported data;  
17 above 98%; 7 below 20%

# Regional Snapshot: registration completeness

## Challenges: assessing completeness

- ✘ Registration completeness:  $(\text{number of registered events}) / (\text{estimated number of total events}) \times 100$
- ✘ Many countries had difficulty identifying baseline data Goal 1 targets
  - ✔ Lack of (reliable) data
  - ✔ Outdated data (e.g. last census was 5+ years ago)
  - ✔ Data not available (coordination among agencies)
  - ✔ Limited capacity and resources to carry out proper completeness (and coverage) assessments

# Ways forward

## How to

- ✧ Build and sustain progress
- ✧ Address shared challenges
- ✧ Better assess completeness

## Through

- ✧ Knowledge sharing
- ✧ Concrete advice and products from RSG and the broader partnership
- ✧ National coordination mechanisms and comprehensive strategies

# Ways forward

## Discussion

- ✧ What challenges do countries face in achieving the targets on universal registration of births and deaths as set out in their national CRVS improvement plans/strategies?
- ✧ How can results of completeness and coverage assessments be used to inform national efforts to achieve universal registration? How can they be used to strengthen national CRVS improvement plans/strategies?
- ✧ What can be the way forward to ensure more data is available on measurements of completeness across Asia and the Pacific?
- ✧ What are potential challenges and opportunities for countries to conduct completeness and coverage assessments?
- ✧ What types of regional collaboration can enhance national efforts to achievement universal registration, including conducting completeness and coverage assessments?